

Remarks

Further and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

The purpose of the present amendments is to place the application in condition for allowance, considering the Examiner's allowance of claim 2.

Thus, claim 1 has been cancelled, and claims 3-6, 10 and 11 have been amended to depend from claim 2, while claim 9 has been amended to depend from any of claims 2-8.

Claim 11 has been further amended to recite the preferred inherent viscosity range at page 6, line 6 of the specification.

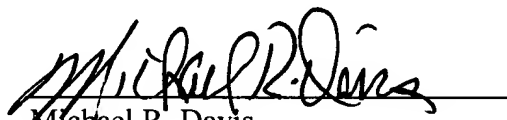
Thus, upon entry of these amendments, the only claims remaining in the application will be claim 2, which has been allowed by the Examiner, and claims dependent on claim 2.

Accordingly, all of the prior art rejections set forth by the Examiner have been rendered moot, as a result of which the application is now considered to be in condition for allowance. Such allowance is solicited.

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